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FLOWER ROOTS, &c.

JOSEPH ARCHIBALD, SEEDSMAN and NURSERYMAN, Chapel-Street, Nicolson's Park, has just received from Holland, &c. a fine Collection of Double and Single red, blue, and white Hyacinths; fine Narcissus Polyanthus; double and single Jonquils, &c. with early Beans and Pease, and other Garden Seeds.

Where may be had, variety of Exotic Plants, Fruit and Forest Trees, Flowering Shrubs, Garden Tools; Grass and Birds Seeds; Birds Fountains, and Flower Glasses.

N.B. A few Trees of the Newton Pippin, from New York; Terling Pear-trees, and several Apple and Pear Trees from France.

A NEW NOVEL.

This Day was published,

(Handsomely printed in 3 Vols. Duodecimo, Price 9 s. sewed)

THE

ADVENTURES OF GEORGE MAITLAND, ESQ.

IN this performance the events are various; the incidents natural, yet surprising; the characters numerous, yet diversified. It possesses the character of novelty, the vivacity of contrast, and the allurement of sensibility. With these advantages it inculcates lessons of the soundest morality, and teaches the passions to be obedient to the call of virtue.

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A DOG LOST.

A POINTER ran away from Dunira Lodge, by Crieff, on the 5th curt. He went lately from Melville to Dunira by the Ferry, and probably may have attempted to return the same way. He has a blackish brown spot above the tail, another on his back, and a third on his head, with ears of a blackish brown colour. He has a scratch down the face, and answers to the name of PERO.

Whoever brings him to Sir William Murray, Baronet, of Auchtertyre, by Crieff, or to Mr Dundas's lodging, George's Square, Edinburgh, shall be handsomely rewarded.

BROKE PRISON.

PAISLEY, November 13. 1785.

THIS morning the Prison of Paisley was broke, and John Barbour junior, merchant in Kilbarchan, and John White resident in Paisley, both confined for debt, made their escape therefrom

The said JOHN BARBOUR is a young man of about twenty-two years of age, slender make, fair complexion, big eyes yellow tied hair, and about five feet eight inches high; and when he went off had on a green coat and shag vest.

The said JOHN WHITE is about twenty-two years of age, five feet nine inches high, round shouldered, stoops a little when he walks, has brownish tied hair, black complexion, full-faced, and had on a drab coloured coat when he went away.

Whoever can apprehend these persons, and secure them in any jail in Scotland, will, upon giving information thereof to the Magistrates of Paisley, receive a Reward of TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS Sterling; and the trustees here for the creditors of said John Barbour, offer a like reward, on his being apprehended and secured.

From the information taken, it is conjectured, that they intend going to Iceland: therefore it is requested, that shipmasters and others, to whom they may apply for a passage, will apprehend them, and give information as above.

APPLES.

JUST now arrived from Feversham in Kent, and Middleburgh in Holland, Two Cargoes of Exceeding Fine APPLES of various kinds, both for the table and baking. To be sold in a loft, foot of Quality-street, Leith, for ready money only.

DUNSE, 19th OCTOBER 1785.

THE Procurators of the Sheriff Court of Berwickshire having taken into consideration the late Act of Parliament, imposing a TAX upon PRACTITIONERS before Inferior Courts, both for a license to exercise their said profession, and for every cause exceeding forty shillings wherein they may be employed, are of opinion,

THAT the same are partial and burdensome, what they are not in ability to pay, and what the business will not afford.—That if the act be carried into execution, they will be under the necessity of refusing employment in most of the actions that come before these Inferior Courts, and the lieges will be in a great measure deprived of the benefit of justice, to their very great hurt.—Therefore they are ready to concur with the other Practitioners before the other Inferior Courts in Scotland, in applying to Parliament for a redress of these grievances; and have nominated Mr John Cockburn and Mr Alexander Christie, writers in Dunse, as a committee of their number, to meet at Edinburgh with the committees that may be appointed from the other Courts in Scotland, any day that may be thought proper, in order to concert measures for that purpose.

EXCISE OFFICE, Edinburgh, Nov. 10. 1785.

THE Commissioners of Excise having observed, That in an advertisement from a meeting of the Heritors of the County of Linlithgow, held on the 21st of October last,—it is stated, "That the meeting were informed, that the order of the Commissioners of Excise, of the 10th of January last, being still in force, the Distillers cannot proceed in their business:"—and also, That in an advertisement from a general meeting of the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Freeholders, and Heritors of the County of Fife, held at Cupar on the 27th ult.—It is stated to have been represented to the meeting, "That the smaller class of Distillers labour under several grievances, particularly with respect to the mode of putting in execution an order of the Board of Excise issued in January last, appointing the Distiller to be charged whether he works or not."—This Board think it proper to take public notice, that this matter has been entirely misrepresented to both meetings; for that no such order as that above mentioned, *whereby Distillers cannot proceed in their business, or are appointed to be charged whether they work or not*, was ever issued by the Board, or is now in force; the general directions given to their officers relative to the Distillery being founded in, and agreeable to law, and such as appear necessary for the prevention of fraud, and security of the revenue, without being either oppressive or injurious to the fair trader. By order of the Commissioners,

JOHN THOMSON, Secretary.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of WILLIAM DUNCANSON, late Shipbuilder in Glensburgh.

THAT a sequestration of the estate real and personal of the said William Duncanson, was sometime ago awarded by the Lords of Council and Session, and James Henderson writer in Falkirk, was chosen interim factor thereon, and a general meeting of the creditors was appointed to be held in the house of James Wyse vintner in Falkirk, upon the 8th September last, for the purpose of chusing a trustee or trustees, in terms of the statute

That none of the creditors of the said William Duncanson having attended the foresaid meeting for chusing a trustee, the said James Henderson, interim factor, applied to the Lord Ordinary officiating on the bills to appoint a new day for that purpose; and the Lord Henderland, by interlocutor of the 10th current, of new ordained the creditors of the said William Duncanson to meet within the house of the said James Wyse vintner in Falkirk, upon Thursday the 22d of December next, at twelve o'clock noon, in order to elect a trustee or trustees upon the sequestrated estate of the said William Duncanson, in place of the interim factor, in terms of the statute.

GEORGE's SQUARE ASSEMBLY ROOMS.

THE Annual Meeting of the Proprietors will be held at the Rooms, on the third Monday of November current, being the 21st at noon, in order to chuse their Directors and Treasurer for the ensuing year. Previous to which Meeting, such of the Proprietors as incline to subscribe to the Assemblies of this winter, will please sign the subscription paper, which is lodged at the Rooms for that purpose.

TO LET FURNISHED,

A HOUSE at the bottom of Shoemaker's Close, Canongate. It has a good entry for a carriage from the north back of the Canongate, and fit to accommodate a genteel family.

For further particulars enquire at Mess. Cairncross and Murray, writers, Parliament Square. The House may be seen every day after eleven o'clock.

WINES and FOREIGN SPIRITS,

In Wholesale and Retail.

SOLD in Bottles made to the London standard, which contain an ENGLISH QUART, or nearly NINE GILLS, the contents whereof are stamped upon the bottles themselves. The Wines and Spirits are of the best quality, and it is hoped [illegible] with regard to the size of bottles is very necessary, and much wanted, it is not doubted that the present plan will meet with the general approbation of the public. Wines and Spirits from the butt will also be sold by the English pint, quart, and gallon. Also, a quantity of very fine, fresh Gottenburgh TEAS, black and green, of different qualities; which are selling on very reasonable terms.

Orders for the above goods, addressed to ALEXANDER THOMSON, at his warehouse, fronting the Guard, High Street, Edinburgh, will be carefully attended to.

Present Retail Prices of Teas, Spirits, Wines, &c.

At JOHN STURROCK's Warehouse, head of Canongate,

	per lib.		per Gal.
* FINEST Hyson Green Tea,	8 s.	* Best Double Rum,	8 s.
* Good ditto,	7 s.	* Single ditto,	6 s.
Middling ditto,	6 s.	* Best French Brandy,	10 s.
Bloom ditto,	5 s.	* Good proof ditto,	8 s.
* Singlo ditto,	4 s.	Single ditto,	6 s.
Common Green ditto,	3 s. 6d.	* Best Dutch Geneva,	6 s.
* Finest Souchong Black Tea,	6 s.	Common ditto,	5 s.
* Good ditto,	5 s.	Rum Shurb,	8 s.
Middling ditto,	4 s.	Cherry Brandy,	8 s.
* Finest Congo ditto,	5 s. 6d.	* Proof Whisky,	3 s. 6d.
* Good ditto,	5 s.	* Best French Vinegar,	4 s.
Middling ditto,	4 s.	English ditto,	2 s.
Good Bohea,	2 s.	* Best Port, Sherry, and Lisbon Wines in bottles, at	1 s. 6d.
Middling ditto,	1 s 8d.	Good *English Carcavilla*, Ditto in bottles containing nine gills each, or 4s. per gallon,	1 s.
* Best Raw Coffee,	2 s.		
* Roasted ditto,	3 s.		

Any person who takes to the value of twenty pounds and upwards, will be allowed a discount of five per cent. from the above prices.

Those goods marked thus * are recommended as the best pennyworth, and rated so low, that none in the trade has it their power to sell such qualities cheaper.

ROUP OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

THERE is to be SOLD by public roup, on Monday the 21st current, at Inveresk, in the house of Captain Christie of the Navy,

All sorts of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of Mounted Beds, Down and Feather Beds, Blankets, Counterpanes, Wilton, and other Carpets, Looking Glasses, Drawers, Tables, Chairs, DINING ROOM and DRAWING ROOM FURNITURE, very elegant; handsome sets of Tea and Table China, Kitchen Jack, and other Kitchen Furniture. The roup to begin at ten o'clock each day, and the Drawing Room Furniture to be sold the first day, at half past one.

N. B. The Furniture to be seen the Saturday preceding the sale:

Lands to LET in the Shire of Inverness.

THERE is to be SET, for such a number of years as shall be agreed upon, and entered into at the term of Whitsunday next,

The Lands of KINCRAIG, with the Dwelling house and pertinents; also the Customs and Services payable and prestable by the sub-tenants of Dunachtonbegg and others, as the same were lately possessed by Captain Lachlan M'Intosh of Balnespick. These lands lie within the lordship of Badenoch, and parish of Alvie, and are well known to be most pleasantly situated.

And about the term of Whitsunday next, will be sold by public roup, the WHOLE STOCKING upon said Farm, consisting of Cattle, Horses, and Labouring Utensils; with the FURNITURE in the house.

Proposals may be lodged with Æneas Mackintosh of Mackintosh, Esq; at Moyhall; Colonel Mackintosh, at Forres; the Rev. Mr Grant, at Boleskine; and Campbell Mackintosh, writer in Inverness.

SALE OF LANDS IN BERWICKSHIRE.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 16th of November, at five o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Estate of DRYBURGH, and NETHER MAINS of BIMERSIDE, lying in the parish of Mertoun, and county of Berwick; the free yearly rent whereof is about 280 l. Sterling. This estate lies in a fine country, about eight miles from Kelso. The situation of it is deservedly thought to be among the most beautiful in Scotland, being almost surrounded by the river Tweed, and covered with fine old wood of all kinds, which is of considerable value. The property of the Old Abbacy of Dryburgh belongs to the estate, which, next to Melrose, is the finest ruin of the kind in that part of the kingdom. There is a tolerable house upon the estate. There is very good salmon-fishing in the river; and the lands themselves, and neighbouring grounds afford every other country amusement in great perfection. The valued rent entitles the proprietor to a vote in the county.

For further particulars, apply to Archibald Tod, writer to the signet, who will show the rentals, &c. and to whom persons inclining to purchase by private bargain may also apply. Mr Finlayson, the farmer at Dryburgh, will show the grounds.

FARMS IN ROXBURGHSHIRE TO LET.

TO be LET and entered to at Whitsunday next, the following FARMS, belonging to Sir John Riddell of Riddell, Baronet, lying in the parish of Lilliesleaf and county of Roxburgh, viz. The Farm of Riddelhill, possessed by Gavin Amos; the Farm of Boosmiln, possessed by Simon Laidlaw. These farms are very extensive, and also very improveable, there being plenty of shell marl on the grounds.

As also the following Farms, lying in the parish of Morebattle, and shirisdom of Roxburgh, viz. The farm of Over Whitton, possessed by William Gibson, consisting of 683 acres; the farm of Heatherlands, possessed by Andrew Purves, consisting of 381 acres; Heavyside mill and farm, possessed by James Fletcher, consisting of 124 acres; the farm of Chesterhouse, possessed by William Riddell, consisting of 298 acres. These farms are also very improveable, lie within six miles of the town of Kelso; and turnip crops have been raised in that quarter with great success.

For particulars, apply to James Keay writer, Prince's street, Edinburgh.

JOHN WHITELAW and CO. Dunse,

RETURN their sincere thanks to their Friends and the Public, for the many favours they have already received, and beg leave to inform them, That they have just got to hand a large and handsome assortment of GOODS for the winter season, viz.

Broad and Narrow Cloths of the best qualities and fashionable colours.
Hunters and double-milled cloths, for great coats,
Livery cloths, Velverets, Duffles, and Freezes.
Swandowns, Cassimers, and stripped Flannel, for vests.
Lincles, Velverets, &c. quite new, for ditto.
A great variety of stuffs for breeches.
Men's fashionable-cocked Hats.
Round ditto, and boys Beavers.
Ladies fashionable Riding Hats.
A variety of men and women's Silk, Cotton, and Worsted Stockings.
Fashionable Buttons, Shalloons, and Ready-made Scarlet Cardinals.
Printed Muslins, Callicoes, and Cottons, newest patterns.
Plain, checked, and stripped Muslin breadths.
Tamboured and Plain Muslin Handkerchiefs and Aprons.
Plain, checked, and stripped Lawns, and Lawn Handkerchiefs.
Linnns and Thread Gauzes.
Black and White Trimming Gauze, Sattins, Alamodes, Persians, and Ribbons.
Muslinets, corded and plain Dimities.
Manchester quilted Petticoats.
Linens, Cambrics, and Long Lawns.
Table Linen and Wine Rubbers.
Bombazeens, Dorseteens, and Callimancoes.
Black and coloured Silk Handkerchiefs.
Spun Cotton, all sizes.

Also, by the last ships from London, a quantity of exceeding fresh and good Tea, in the original package, bought at the India Company's last sale, which they will sell very low; together with every other article in the Grocery way.

John Whitelaw and Co. hope, by care and attention, by always keeping goods of the best quality, and selling on the lowest terms, to merit a share of the public favour.

Commissions from the country carefully attended to.

ROUP of CLOTHS, SILKS, &c.

To begin on Wednesday the 16th current, and following Days,

AT the EDINBURGH VENDUE, second fore stair below the Well, south side of the High Street,

Broad and narrow cloths, black and coloured lustrings, Persians, black and coloured crapes, bombazeens, &c.; Ladies and Gentlemens hats, shalloons, and a quantity of coat buttons. The roup to begin each day at eleven o'clock forenoon, and continue till three afternoon.

At the above sale-room is to be had all kinds of household furniture, second-hand fowling pieces, silver and metal watches, silver and plated goods, hosiery, &c.

R. HAY opens his room for evening sales on Monday first, where libraries and all other kinds of goods are taken in and sold on commission.

AT ROTTERDAM—FOR LEITH,

THE PEGGY,

Captain EDWARD BROWN,

Is taking in goods at Rotterdam for Leith, and all places adjacent, and will sail the first of December next.

For Black River, and Savannah-la-Mar, JAMAICA,

THE SHIP EUPHRATES,

JOHN CAMPBELL Master;

AND,

For Martha Brae, Montago Bay, Luces, and Green Island,

THE SHIP ELISABETH,

JOHN FISH Master,

Now both lying at Greenock, are ready to take on board goods, and will sail by the middle of December.

For freight or passage, apply to Somervell, Gordon, and Company, Glasgow, or the Captains at Greenock.

Both the Euphrates and Elisabeth are British built vessels, and particularly fitted up for the accommodation of passengers, each of them having a large cabin and several state rooms.

Glasgow, November 1. 1785.

FOR St KITTS,

THE HOPE,

JOHN BARBOUR Master,

Now lying at Greenock, ready to take goods on board, and will be clear to sail by the 15th instant.

For Grenada,

The ALBION, John M'Millan master, now loading at Greenock, and will be clear for sea by 10th November current.

For St Vincent,

The KINGSTON, John Tarbert master—is now ready to receive goods on board at Greenock, and will be clear to sail by the 20th of November current.

For Kingston and Morant Bay, Jamaica,

The CASTLESEMPLE, Walter Buchanan master—Now lying at Greenock, ready to take goods on board, and will be clear to sail by the 10th of November current.

For freight or passage in the above vessels, apply to Malcolm, Ritchie, and Leitch, in Greenock, or Alexander Houston and Co. in Glasgow; who can engage to go out under indentures,

A clever Young Man, bred a Cooper.

Greenock, November 1.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

Judicial Sale of the Lands and Estate of Cathlaw.

Upset Price farther reduced.

TO be SOLD, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh, upon Tuesday the 22d November 1785, between the hours of five and six afternoon,

The Lands and Estate of CATHLAW, and others, lying within the parish of Torphichen and shire of Linlithgow.

The proven yearly rent of these lands is L. 161 19 0

And deducing the feu and teind duties, minister's stipend and schoolmaster's salary, which amount to 2 6 10 4-12ths

There remains of free rent, L. 159 12 1 8-12ths

The proven value of the estate was fixed at 32 years purchase of the free rent, being 5111 l. 7 s. 8-12ths of a penny, at which the estate was first exposed to sale; but upon an application to the Court, the upset price has been reduced to 19 years purchase of the free proven rent, being L. 3032 10 7 8-12ths

At which reduced price they are now to be exposed to sale.

There is a commodious mansion-house upon the estate, with suitable office-houses, all in exceeding good repair.

The greatest part of the estate is inclosed with thriving hedges, and stripes of planting. There are, besides, several other thriving plantations upon the estate.

The title-deeds and articles, and conditions of sale, may be seen in the hands of Mr John Callendar depute-clerk of session; and further information will be got by applying to Francis and John Anderson, writers to the signet.

From the London Papers, Nov. 10.

Vienna, October 22.

AMONG the reports that are circulated at this time, it is said that the Prince de Kaunitz will shortly take a journey to Ratisbon, on business of high importance.

It is also reported, that the Spanish Ambassador some time ago presented a memorial to the Chancellor, in which the King his master made known his intentions of no longer permitting the Russian fleets of ships of war from passing out of the ocean into the Mediterranean. This project was talked of some months ago, but since that time lost much credit; but, if the above-mentioned memorial contains such notice as it is said to do, the occurrence may actually take place. It is also mentioned, that thirty Spanish ships of the line are ready to sail on the first notice, in case of the approach of a Russian fleet; however it is not likely that much can be done this year, as it is not probable that any Russian fleet will quit the east sea till spring. In the mean time, as it is well known that the Court of Russia is using every effort to establish a formidable navy, they will by next year be able to make a powerful opposition to any designs of the Court of Spain to their detriment.

Venice, Oct. 15. Our fleet, under the Chevalier Emo, is preparing to bombard Sfax again for the second time.

From the NEW-YORK DAILY ADVERTISER, *Sept 23.*

Address of the Justices of the city and county of Philadelphia, to the Honourable Benjamin Franklin, L. L. D.

The Justices of the city and county of Philadelphia, impressed with the most lively sense of your great and extraordinary services to the United States, and this state in particular, approach you with the highest veneration and respect. We are happy, Sir, in having it in our power sincerely to congratulate you [illegible] with pleasure recognize the numberless instances of your wisdom, patriotism, and benevolence. Our cordial aspirations are, that it may please God to dispense to you every felicity during the remainder of your days, and to make them subservient to the purposes of this, and the other States in the union.

In behalf of the Justices,

Sept. 17, 1785. PLUNKET FLEESON, President.

To which the Doctor was pleased to return the following answer.

GENTLEMEN,

I AM very sensible of the honour done me by your kind congratulations on my safe return to our country.

[illegible] it in the full enjoyment of peace and liberty, makes me esteem the day of my arrival among the happiest of my life.

That its present felicity in good laws [illegible] executed by a virtuous magistracy, may be long continued, is one of my most fervent prayers.

B. FRANKLIN.

From the NEW-YORK GAZETTE.

New-York, Sept. 23. Wednesday arrived the sloop Charlestown, Captain M'Neil, from Porto Rico, who informs, that on the 25th ult. there happened a most violent hurricane at that island, in which the sloop Endeavour, Captain Sample, was totally lost, and the master and 20 of the hands perished. The gale began in the evening at ten o'clock, and continued until six next morning, during which many vessels were lost. Wind from N. E. to S. E.

From the SUPPLEMENT *to the* NEW-YORK GAZETTEER.

By the United States in Congress assembled, Sept. 27. 1785.

The report of the grand Committee, being amended, runs as follows:

Resolved, That for the services of the present year, 1785, for the payment of one year's interest on the foreign and domestic debt, and as a provision to discharge the balance of the estimate of April 27, 1784, above the sum called for by the resolve of Congress of that date, it will be necessary that 3,000,000 of dollars, in addition to 649,880 dollars, be paid into the common treasury on or before the first day of May next.

As a motive for the chearful payment of the sum now called for, as well as of the arrearages on that of April 27, 1784, the Committee are of opinion that the States be reminded, that Congress have passed an ordinance for the survey and sale of the Western territory of the United States, and that the proceeds thereof will be applied as a sinking fund to extinguish the domestic debt. Future requisitions for interest on the domestic debt will therefore be reduced in proportion as this fund may be rendered productive.

Resolved, That Congress agree to the said report.

LONDON, *Nov. 10.*

It is confidently reported that the hereditary Prince of Denmark is soon expected on a visit to our Court.

Yesterday the Duke and Duchess of Cumberland visited the Princess Amelia at Gunpersbury-House, and took their final leave, previous to their going on Sunday next to Harwich, to embark for Holland.

Prince Edward, his Majesty's fourth son, is now under a course of nautical education, previous to his going to sea, which will be early in the spring. It is said that he is to be under the command of his Royal brother, to impress him with an early idea of the subordination of the British navy.

This morning one of the King's messengers in ordinary arrived in town with dispatches from Paris.

Lord George Gordon attended the King's levee yesterday, and had the honour to deliver the humble petition from the debtors in Newgate into his Majesty's own hands. So far from being ill received at Court, his Lordship was immediately noticed by the Right Hon. the Earl of Essex, and the Hon. General Gordon, of Fyvie Castle, the Lord of the Bedchamber and the Gentleman in waiting.

To-morrow Lord George Gordon is to have the honour to present the petition from the debtors in York-Castle.

Lord George Gordon being asked at the levee, how it was possible to keep up the parade and splendour of the Court, if the soldiers' petition was granted them, *to keep holy the Sabbath-day*, answered, by the very same means that were used to keep up the power and magnificence of the Court of King Solomon in all his glory!

By a gentleman just arrived from Paris we are informed, that a certain great personage seems inclined to follow the traces of his *gallant* grandfather: A young lady of infinite merit, and of most noble blood, is the choice of his M[illegible]y. The voyage to Fontainbleau this year does not prove so enchanting as it has been hitherto, a lowness of spirits overpowers a certain gay person, the effects of which are already visible. Jealousy, no doubt, embitters every other satisfaction.

There have been lately imported from the Baltic upwards of 2000 tons of ship timber, which is laid up at the King's yards at Deptford and Woolwich, besides what has been imported and laid up at the other marine arsenals.

Letters from New-York, dated Oct. 4. mention, that the United States, in a late fit of anger, had determined to prohibit the exportation of live-stock to the British West-Indies; but that great numbers of the most opulent merchants had remonstrated against this resolution, as incompatible with the true interest of America. The matter had occasioned great divisions, and was not absolutely determined when the advices came away.

The officers now in garrison at Gibraltar had an intention of giving a grand military entertainment to their Governor, previous to his departure, as a mark of their high opinion of his eminent services. He was accordingly waited upon by an officer of high rank, who communicated to him the sentiments of his brethren, and begged to know what entertainment would be most acceptable to him. Any thing, my friend, replied the old veteran, but a *mischianza*. The ladies, no doubt, would wish to have a *ball*, but we have had enough of them already, and *enough* is as good as a *feast*. Present my respectful thanks to my brave friends, and tell them that all I desire is to have liberty to march out with all the honours of war—I shall then ground my arms in triumph!

This morning were executed pursuant to their sentence sixteen of the convicts, who were condemned in September session; one of whom (George Reynolds) was not more than 14 year of age.

LORD MAYOR'S DAY.

The procession of yesterday was as usual to the water-side; on the water in the barges to Westminster-Hall, and from the [illegible] his Lordship proceeded to Guildhall.

The Chancellor with three coaches, himself in the state one, followed by a Judge of the King's Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer, preceded the Chief Magistrate; and the rear was brought up by the Aldermen and the two Sheriffs. The Aldermen who attended in the procession were, Wilkes, Newnham, Burnell, Pickett, Kitchen, Curtis, Hamet, and Boydell.

The new livery of Alderman Sheriff Watson, was blue, with silver lace; but, contrary to all custom and all fashion, the servants wore gold-laced hats, although the livery was white lace.

Alderman Sheriff Sanderson's livery was brown and silver, with silver lace. Neither of the carriages were new.

The company who honoured the Lord Mayor was numerous; but in the list was a very great want of people of fashion. Scarce any coaches but those hired for the hackney; and they were indeed most numerous, perhaps more so than on any former Lord Mayor's day.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, in *propria persona*, made his way to Guildhall by a back way; and the windows of whose carriage were broke to pieces in Wood-street, and the gentleman himself obliged to make his way through the mob on foot to Guildhall.

The Marquis of Carmarthen, Lord Sydney, and the Chancellor, were the only other persons of consequence from the west end of the town, who honoured the dinner with their presence.

The late Lord Mayor was honoured with the loudest shouts of applause in the procession, both to and from Westminster to Guildhall; and the citizens seemed emulous who should be foremost to testify their approbation of his conduct.

The ball was opened by the Lady Mayoress and the Marquis of Carmarthen, and the country dances were in the usual style.

Extract of a letter from Copenhagen, Oct. 22.

"His Royal Highness the Hereditary Prince of Denmark received this day the frigate, or rather the English yacht, which the King of Great Britain, his uncle by the mother's side, hath made a present to him. The beauty and neatness of it is much admired. The Captain who conducted the yacht hither, and delivered it to the Prince, has been received at Court with great distinction and kindness. He hath received a present of a gold snuff-box, enriched with brilliants, and ornamented with the portrait of the Prince Royal. This rich snuff-box was also filled with a thousand ducats."

Extract of a letter from Berlin, Oct. 18.

"Public works are carrying on here with the utmost rapidity. At Potsdam a noble hospital has lately been enlarged for the reception and maintenance of 10,000 soldiers children. The boys are bred to agriculture under peasants in different parts of the kingdom, and occasionally taught the exercise of a soldier on Sundays and holidays; so that those servants of the public are equally calculated for the sword or the plough-share; a proof that, however numerous the Prussian army may be, the King encourages population, and does not neglect the cultivation of his territories.

"The author of a paltry libel, entitled "*Les Matinees du Roi de Prusse*," in which his Majesty has been treated with great acrimony, was lately taken into custody here. It was thought the scribbler would have been severely punished; but Frederick, with that greatness of mind peculiar to his character, directed the Magistrates to set the poor fellow at liberty, and make him a present of a bundle of new pens, "as his last (the King, with his usual poignancy, said) were in very bad order."

"Though this country is at present in the most profound state of tranquillity, preparations for war are carrying on with the utmost alacrity; our sagacious monarch foreseeing that the intrigues of two great neighbouring powers will probably terminate in an attack upon Silesia."

PRICE of STOCKS, Nov. 10.

Bank Stock, 133 a 132½ a ½.	Ditto 1751, —
5 per cent. Ann. 105 a 104¼ a ¾.	India Stock, 154½ a 152.
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 85½ a 84½ a ½.	3 per cent. Ann. —
3 per cent. con. 67¼ a 66½ a 67.	India Bonds paid, —
3 per cent. red. 66¼ a 65⅝ a ½.	Ditto unpaid, —
3 per cent. 1726, —	Navy Bills, 2½ dis.
Long Ann. 20½ a ¼.	Exch. Bills, 23 a 24 prem.
Short Ann. 1778, 13¾ a 11-16ths.	Lottery Tickets, 14 l. 19 s. 6 d.
South Sea Stock, —	
3 per cent. Old Ann. —	WIND AT DEAL, Nov. 9. N.
Ditto New Ann. 65½ a ¼.	

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Nov. 10.

"Dispatches were yesterday morning received from Denmark, and immediately forwarded to his Majesty, containing, amongst several from the Earl of Northington, three letters from the Prince of Denmark, one to his Majesty, one to the Queen, and one to his cousin the Princess Royal, on the subject of his visiting England, which is now every day looked for. It is very certain, that a negociation of marriage, between the Prince of Denmark and the Princess Royal, though kept a profound secret, has been, for some time past, on the tapis, and that the yacht lately presented to his Royal Highness by his Majesty was for the purpose of conveying him to England. It is, however, far from being the fact, that a marriage between those great personages has been finally adjusted, or agreed on. The Prince of Denmark, therefore, comes to England on a visit to his cousin, the Princess Royal, when, should the parties like each other, a matrimonial alliance will, no doubt, once again cement Great Britain and Denmark together, in the bonds of friendship and affection to each other.

"Presents to an immense value have been ordered by their Majesties and the Prince of Wales against the arrival of the Prince of Denmark. Mr H——gs is said to have in reserve a very capital diamond for the Princess Royal, should the talked-of nuptials take place.

"It is very true, that the Minister has determined to abandon the shop-tax, and that he makes no scruple of declaring it wherever the question is put to him.

"It was yesterday reported, that Chameron was apprehended at the Hague, and that leave was obtained for bringing him over to England.

"The conversation of the day, in the more intelligent circles of politics, is, that the Court of France, jealous of the matrimonial alliance about to be formed between the Prince of Wales and the Princess of Orange, and alarmed at the consequences thereof, are employing all the means that can possibly be used to prevent its taking place, through their friends at the Hague. The general opinion, however, is, that it will be without the desired effect, as the marriage cannot be prevented by the intrigues, however artful, of the French party in Holland."

The Duchess of Gordon was safely delivered of a son on Tuesday evening, at her house in George's Square.

At Cinsitar, on the 3d of August last, died, the Reverand Mr Edward Irvine, minister of the united parishes of Firth and Stennis, in the 75th year of his age. During the whole of this long life, he deserved and obtained the esteem of such as knew him. The doctrines which he taught, he believed; and the duties which he inculcated, he performed. His humour was original, always tempered with judgment, and directed by virtue: and amidst a train of events, which would have depressed the spirits of almost any other person, he preserved a chearfulness of temper, somewhat constitutional indeed, but principally derived from the influence of religion. In him was united a liberality of sentiments, that would have done no dishonour to the most enlightened periods, with a purity, a decency, and regularity of manners, with which the gloomy puritanical age of Cromwell could scarcely have found fault. In short, as hospitality to all that came near him, diligence in the discharge of the duties of his office, sociality, compassion, candour, and benevolence, may be justly ranked among the number of his virtues; his acquaintances, and particularly his own parishioners, with whom he lived in the greatest amity, are mingling their tears with those of his disconsolate family, for the loss of such an affectionate parent, worthy clergyman, and valuable companion and friend.

Last week, the impost on wines, spirits, &c. used by vintners. &c. was set, by public roup, at 600 guineas for one year.

The Diligence, Butler, from Leith, arrived at London on the 9th instant, all well.

We hear from Grangemouth, that William Hodge, carpenter on board the Carron, Paterson master, from London, fell from the main-top-gallant-yard into the sea, and was drowned.

The Brothers, Ridley, is on shore near Robinhood's Bay, and much damaged; but, it is hoped, if the weather be moderate, she may be got off. The crew were all saved, but with great difficulty. The Constantine, Hudson, was likewise ashore near Lord Mulgrave's allum works, but got off next day with the loss of her keel, and other damage.

The Prosper sloop, John Elliot master, from Newcastle to Southampton, laden with coals, sprung a leak, six leagues N. N. W. distant from Cromer, on the Norfolk coast, on Monday the 31st ult. and in one hour afterwards went to the bottom in ten fathom water; there were seven feet water in the hold, when the men took to the boat, after which the sloop went down in fifteen minutes. Fortunately for the crew, the Olive sloop, Francis Taylor master, hove in sight, and seeing the colours which the crew had hoisted in distress, took them in, by which they were all saved, or they must otherwise inevitably have perished, it being impossible for the boat to have lived long in that situation.

Since the issue of the new half guineas of the present year from the Tower, a counterfeit coin has come into circulation, value about 6s. which are remarkably well executed, but on examination are larger than the true coin.

Extract of a letter from Dublin, Nov. 8.

"Report has confidently asserted, that Mr O— would not return again to Dublin Castle, in quality of Irish Minister. This is occasioned by having been detained a little longer in England than at first intended, and this for the purpose of arranging the ensuing campaign, which will commence with the utmost vigour in January. Not a doubt remains, but under Mr O's. auspices the commercial adjustment will be again revived, with only a little softening the harsh features of the fourth proposition, which is not to intrench upon that bauble—*Irish independence.*

"Saturday next is fixed upon for the departure of Mr Orde from London on his journey hither.

"Several new creations amongst the peers are talked of, as intended to take place before the meeting of Parliament—the Earls of Antrim, Shannon, Charlemont, and Mornington are, it is reported, to be raised to the dignity of Marquis.

"It is said the Right Hon. Lord Chief Justice Paterson will speedily retire from his seat on the Bench, in consequence of his ill state of health; he is to be succeeded by the Solicitor-General, Mr Carleton. Mr Serjeant Fitzgerald to be appointed Solicitor-General, and Mr Tydd to be raised to the rank of Serjeant.

"The late indisposition of the Chancellor, gave rise to reports circulated with much confidence of his intention to retire from the Bench. Among those talked of for successors in Ireland, were Lord Earlsfort, the Provost, and the Attorney General. Thurlow the Chancellor of England, whose influence in the Cabinet is well known, and to which, in law arrangements, Mr Pitt submissively bows—throws all his interest in favour of Lloyd Kenyon, the present Master of the Rolls. Here rests the contest for the moment.

" If Lord ——— retires from Chancery, it is thought the annuity will be at leaſt 4000 l. per annum, beſides the ſtipulation of a Biſhoprick for his ſon the Dean, and ſome other *ſmall* matters for the other branches of the family."

A CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC.

For ſome time paſt, a pretty looking, neat dreſſed girl, ſeemingly about 11 years of age, has gone about through genteel families, where aſking for the Lady of the houſe with a dejected look, ſhe produces a written paper in the following words, " Your kind aſſiſtance is moſt earneſtly requeſted, for " the relief of an unfortunate widow and two fatherleſs child- " ren.—As real neceſſity has put her upon this method, the " ſmalleſt aſſiſtance will be gratefully received." She had the addreſs, within theſe few days, to carry off a quantity of mens apparel, and half a crown in money, by paſſing for the daughter of a needful family, for whom they had been procured from a diſtance, by the perſon who, with her own hand, had delivered them to this young impoſture. The boy for whom they were intended, having called for them in a little after, diſcovered the trick. It is believed ſhe has a cuſtom of picking up things, as there has been ſeverals in queſt of her.

For the CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

QUERIES.

DID not the Lord Provoſt and Magiſtrates pledge themſelves to take down the city ports, or at leaſt to leave them open, at Martinmas laſt, when the impoſt on private families ceaſed?

Has this been complied with? On the contrary, are not the ports kept ſhut at night, in the ſame manner as formerly, though the tax in lieu of the impoſt is already commenced?

Is it the moſt effectual way to *open eaſy communications to the ſouth*, to ſhut up thoſe already made?

Is this, or not, an inſult on the underſtanding of the public?

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For the CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

DISTILLERY.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE ſituation to which the manufacture of corn ſpirits in Scotland has lately been reduced, by a method of exciſing it, unprecedented in any kingdom of Europe, has created a juſt and univerſal complaint from all ranks of men.—The Landholder is alarmed to find the principal market for his grain almoſt entirely taken away.—The Diſtillers ſee their employment not only prohibited, but the works upon which their property has been laid out, ſuddenly converted to mere incumbrances upon the earth.—The people are deprived of their uſual ſupply of that liquor, which experience has demonſtrated, is, of all the ſpirituous kind, beſt adapted to their taſte and conſtitution.

Meantime this country is inundated with gin from Holland, and brandy from France, in ſo much, that an inhabitant of the latter kingdom might be excuſed, for ſuppoſing that an edict of Lewis XVI. had been promulgated in North Britain, prohibiting the people to make ſpirits of their corn, and commanding them to drink nothing but the brandies of France.

This muſt appear ſtill more unaccountable, when we reflect, that the ſole purview of all the late acts of the legiſlature have been directed to exclude the foreign ſmuggler, and to encourage the makers of Britiſh ſpirits.

The matter is now carried to ſuch a length, that at this moment, even the article of *bread* is affected, and the health of the people, the rich as well as the poor, endangered.—I ſpeak from certain information, that the bakers in Edinburgh and Leith are at this moment in the utmoſt diſtreſs for want of the uſual ſupplies of yeſt;—that they are not only ſubjected to a very high expence, but cannot for money procure good or wholeſome materials; and, therefore, are obliged to give out their bread of a quality which ought not to be offered to ſale, but for which the bakers themſelves are in no ſhape reſponſible.

The aſtoniſhment of the public will change to indignation, when they ſhall be informed, that all theſe evils have ariſen from the machinations of a ſet of the moſt jealous, reſtleſs, ſelf-intereſted men in the univerſe, *the Diſtillers of London*; and that the Exciſe of Scotland are forced, contrary to the wiſh of the legiſlature, or the intentions of Government, and their own inclination, to be inſtruments, in the hands of theſe men, for the deſtruction of the proper trade and manufacture of their own country.

A narrative of this ſtrange buſineſs is now preparing to be laid before the Landed Intereſt of Scotland and their repreſentatives in Parliament, in which every circumſtance and fact relating to it will be laid open.

The pretence for this rigour, is a general accuſation, without evidence, againſt the entered Diſtillers, for the not payment of the legal tax upon their ſpirits, and conſequently againſt our Board of Exciſe for omiſſion of their duty.

In the firſt place, it ſhall ſoon be proven, that the Scottiſh Board have, in their extenſive juriſdiction, all along performed every thing required of them by law, with an attention and activity ſuperior to what the Engliſh department have to boaſt of; and that if there was a defect, that defect lay in the law, and not in the conduct or the practice of the Exciſe.

But, leaving theſe things for the propoſed explanation, I ſhall even here ſuppoſe, that the Diſtillers in Scotland, for ſome years paſt, did not pay the full duties *for the whole of their goods* conſumed in this country. I maintain, that this is not the fault of the traders, but altogether imputable to local circumſtances and ſituation; and I further maintain, that the payment of the legal duties upon ſpirits conſumed in this country has been hitherto impoſſible; nay, what may at firſt ſight appear problematical, the demand is *impolitic and unjuſt*.—The principle of taxing every article of trade is, that the *conſumer*, and not the *manufacturer*, is to pay the tax, and, conſequently no article whatever is to be loaded with a duty, unleſs the maker has a certain proſpect of getting *a return of his advance* from the public, together with a reaſonable price for his materials and labour. Now, ſo it has happened, that, owing to the extenſive coaſts of Scotland, the thinneſs of population, the diſtance of places, and opportunities of concealment, ſmugglers, foreign and domeſtic, who paid no duties at all, have hitherto given defiance to all the laws that have been deviſed, and to the utmoſt vigilance of the officers of the revenue in execution of thoſe laws.

In ſuch a ſituation, what is the licenſed trader to do?—If he works, and pays the whole duties upon his produce, it proves *inevitable ruin*. He muſt then either throw up his buſineſs, or, by partial evaſions of the laws, *reduce the duties to a rate conſiſtent with his own ſtanding*. The difference in this ſtate between the licenſed and unlicenſed Diſtiller, is, that the one pays *nothing*, and the other *a great part* of the legal impoſition. The money got by Government from the men of the latter deſcription is ſo much gained; for the law, if executed literally, would not prove a *tax*, but a *prohibition*, leaving the market entirely in the poſſeſſion of the abſolute ſmugglers. Hence I conclude, that until Government ſhall be able to exclude ſmugglers from the market, *or at leaſt to exclude them ſo far as to ſecure the licenſed trader in the return of the money he is required to advance*, the demand upon him is impolitic and unjuſt. Could this be done, he would pay both with profit and pleaſure to himſelf; nor would he complain of any mode by which the law ſhould be executed.

The remedy adopted of late is, however, a great deal worſe than the diſeaſe. The Exciſe, in place of directing their powers, vigilance, and attention, againſt the open avowed bands of foreign ſmugglers, have bent their whole artillery againſt the known licenſed manufactuers. The revenue officers withdrawn from the coaſt, and from their uſual ſearches, have taken entire poſſeſſion of the entered works, and behaved in a manner unknown to the moſt arbitrary Governments of Europe. Their orders are to carry the letter of the law to the rigour, and to refuſe the traders thoſe *common allowances*, thoſe *turns of the ſcale*, which are abſolutely neceſſary to the exiſtence of any buſineſs, and which are given all over England. A man in any part of Great Britain may at preſent import foreign ſpirits with advantage. He will get thoſe allowances at the ports, which are refuſed to the maker of Scots ſpirits in his houſe. All this conſequently amounts to a prohibition of the manufacture; for it is undeniable, that there is not a branch of trade ſubject to exciſe laws that can ſubſiſt, *if theſe laws be executed after the ſame manner*. Hence the general diſtreſs of the country, and all the evils mentioned in the beginning of this paper. The time choſen for the introduction of this ſyſtem of oppreſſion is particularly unfortunate. A great part of the barley of Scotland, from the unfavourable harveſt, is unfit for any other uſe, than that of being converted into ſpirits by thoſe Diſtillers who conſume unmalted grain.

The Londoners, likewiſe the real authors of this miſchief, have, after all, miſſed their aim.—In place of excluding the Scots from the London market, which is the great object of their reſtleſs politics, they are only annihilating our home conſumpt, and forcing the Diſtillers to carry every drop of their produce to the Thames.—They pretend to believe, and they have with too much ſucceſs made it to be believed, that the ſpirits exported to London do not pay the duties.—This is downrightly falſe.—I appeal to the Board of Exciſe, if it be not ſimply impoſſible to ſend a ſingle gallon of ſpirits to England, without payment of the full legal duties.—Well would it be for the revenue of England, if the Londoners had the ſame checks upon them.—With theſe Gentlemen, all the world are ſmugglers who dare to come to their market.—Were all the ſpirits in England to be made in Scotland and carried by ſea, not a gallon of them could eſcape the legal tax.—The Diſtillers of London lie ſnug on the ſpot, with no other carriage than to the houſes of their cuſtomers; and, therefore, becauſe they can evade the duties without fear or chance of detection, therefore they inſiſt upon the belief, that *they* do not evade them; and what is more extraordinary, they aſſert with grave faces, that the Exciſe officers of London are alſo virtuous, without ſpot or blemiſh, with ſalaries of 50 l. per annum. which is in other words ſaying that theſe ſame officers have been created on purpoſe for the metropolis.

I conclude with obſerving, that the lengths to which the Exciſe have been impelled to carry matters, muſt completely open the eyes of all concerned in this country, and, by exhibiting the oppreſſion to which ſuch powers may be directed, will unite them in the ſcheme which has for ſome time been in agitation, for procuring entire deliverance to the Scottiſh Diſtillery from that unſupportable juriſdiction.

C. D.

ORKNEY SHIPPING.

Sailed from Stromneſs,

Oct. 17. Unity of and for Hull, Poſtlewhite, from Ulverſton, iron ore.
Chriſtian of and for Roſs, M'Calla, from Scalock, in ballaſt.
Alexander and Margaret of Shiells, Shephard, from Peterſburgh, for Kirkham, with iron, flax, and hemp.
23. Eagle of Blyth, Ogle, from Roſneſs, for Leith, with kelp.
Mary of and for Leith, Millar, from Sky, with ditto.
——— of and for Aberdeen, Bruce, from Briſtol, with wine.
William of and from Lancaſter, Davels, for Hull, with ſlates.
Albion of and from ditto, Towers, for Carron, with iron ore.
26. Janet of and for Dundee, Caithneſs, from Stornaway, with kelp.
Argo of Carron, Nicol, from Sky, for Leith, with ditto.
Lady Auguſtus of Elphinſtone, White, from Liverpool, for Hull, with turpentine and ruſſic, &c.

Remain,

Liberty of Kirkwall, Irvine, from Inverneſs, for Thurſo, with bark and birch, &c.
Hope of and for ———, Cook, from Liverpool, with ſalt.
Bon Accord of Aberdeen, ——— ———, from Sandic, for Liverpool, with wood, &c.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, Nov. 12. Kitty, Conquor, from Newcaſtle, with goods: Betty and Anne, Henry, from Borrowſtounneſs, with grain.

ARRIVED AT GRANGEMOUTH, Nov. 9. Carron, Paterſon, from London, with goods.—11. Andrew, Neadie, from Alloa, with coals.—12. Nancy, Henderſon, from Memel, with timber; Active, Inglis, from Amſterdam, with old iron guns; Lady Charlotte, Ferrier, from Leith, for Glaſgow, with ſundries; Glaſgow, Shaw, from Borrowſtounneſs, for ditto, with ditto.

SAILED, Nov. 11. James, Johnſtone, for Leith, with iron and battins;—12. Albion, Towers, for Chriſtianſands, in ballaſt.

EDINBURGH COLLEGE, *12th November.*

THE Claſs of NATURAL HISTORY will be opened by Dr WALKER, in the Muſeum, on Wedneſday next the 16th inſtant, at two o'clock afternoon; and to be continued at that hour, on the Mondays, Wedneſdays, and Fridays, during the ſeſſion.

Juſt arrived from London,
And to be Sold by
ROBERT GOURLAY,
At the Head of the Royal Bank Cloſe, Edinburgh,

A VERY large and elegant aſſortment of the neweſt HABERDASHERY and LINEN-DRAPERY GOODS, particularly of printed Cloths, Muſlins, Sattinets, Modes, Laces, Ribbons, black Luteſtrings, Perſians, Long Lawns, Cambrics, Linens, Bombazeens, Norwich Crapes, Durants, Mancoes, Dimitties, Muffs, &c. And as the proprietor has lately viſited all the principal manufacturing towns in England, he flatters himſelf he can ſupply the public, not only with the moſt faſhonable articles in the trade, but upon ſuch terms as will effectually ſecure the approbation of his friends

N. B. MILLINERY WORK done in the neateſt manner.

RUM.

TO be SOLD by public roup, at Gibb's Coffeehouſe in Leith, on Friday next, the 18th November, at twelve o'clock noon,

Three Puncheons Old GRENADA RUM, together or in ſingle Puncheons, as purchaſers ſhall incline.

Samples to be ſeen at Mr John Beadie's, merchant in Leith, who will ſell by private bargain; or at the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh.

WATCH AND CLOCK MAKING.

GEORGE AITKEN, Parliament Square, returns his gratefull thanks to the Public, and his Cuſtomers in particular; at the ſame time takes the liberty to inform them, That he has on hand at preſent, for ſale, a good aſſortment of WATCHES and CLOCKS, at very reaſonable prices Such as pleaſe to favour him with their orders, may depend on having their commiſſions punctually attended to.

N. B. Repeating Watches, and all other Kinds of Watches and Clocks, properly repaired.

MAHOGANY.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in the Cloſe poſſeſſed by James Bryce, cooper in Quality Street, Leith, on Tueſday the 22d day of November, at eleven o'clock noon,

A conſiderable quantity of good MAHOGANY, of various ſizes; to be put up in lots for the convenience of purchaſers.

For particulars, apply to Alexander Mowbray, merchant in Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by roup, within the New Inn, Dunfermline, upon Tueſday the 27th December next, at eleven o'clock forenoon,

TWO INCLOSURES, containing between ſixteen and ſeventeen acres, with a Garden of near half an acre, a Stable, and other Offices.

The title-deeds and articles of roup may be ſeen in the hands of Adam Bruce writer in Edinburgh, to whom alſo any who incline to purchaſe by private bargain may apply.

ARGYLE-SHIRE.

THE Eſtate of DUNARDRY is to be Sold by roup within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 7th day of December next, at five o'clock afternoon, in one or more lots as purchaſers ſhall incline. If the latter, the following are propoſed—

I. DUNARDRY, BARINLUASGAN, BARNDARFF, DUNANS, and BARDARROCH—Rent 303 l. 7 s. 8 d. Sterling.

II. KILMICHAEL-INVERLUSSY—Rent 136 l. 12 s. 1 d.

III. ACHACHOIS—Rent 21 l. ſ.

The whole to be ſet up at twenty years purchaſe.

For further particulars apply to James Ferrier writer to the ſignet.

Sale of Lands in Dumfries-ſhire.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 14th of December 1785, betwixt the hours of five and ſix o'clock afternoon,

The Lands of HOTTS, BETWIXT-THE-WATERS, FOULTOWN and others, with the pertinents, which belonged to the deceaſed Dr George Bell, lying in the pariſh of Middlebie, ſtewartry of Annandale, and ſheriffdom of Dumfries, in the following Lots:

LOT I. The Lands of Betwixt-the-Waters, as preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Bell and Andrew Little; and the Lands of Foultown, as preſently poſſeſſed by Richard Irving, at the upſet-price of L. 1000 0 0

This Lot includes a conſiderable quantity of valuable old timber, eſtimated by ſkilful perſons to be worth upwards of 300 l. beſides ſeveral thriving young plantations. The manſion-houſe, garden, and orchard, are alſo ſituated on this lot. The whole will be put of leaſe at Candlemas and Whitſunday next, when the purchaſer may enter to the natural poſſeſſion, if he thinks proper. The lands will let for upwards of 80 l. of yearly rent, on a 15 years leaſe.

LOT II. The Lands of Hotts, as preſently poſſeſſed by Chriſtopher Smith and John Lawſon, at the upſet-price of L. 1050 0 0

The tack of thoſe lands expires at Candlemas 1788; the preſent yearly rent is 45 l. 8 s. 3 d. beſides caſualties. The late Mr Bell paid 1300 l. for them, about 12 years ago, and they have ſince been conſiderably improved.

LOT III. The Lands of Whitelees, as preſently poſſeſſed by William Rae, at the upſet-price of L. 450 0 0

LOT IV. The Lands of Gilmartin, preſently poſſeſſed by William Little, at the like upſet-price of L. 450 0 0

The tacks of theſe two farms are current for four years after Candlemas and Whitſunday next, at the yearly rent of 171 l. 10 s. each, beſides caſualties. As they are capable of great improvement, a conſiderable riſe of rent may be expected on the expiry of the leaſes. The crops on theſe lands, and on the whole eſtate, have been, for theſe many years paſt, uncommonly good, and the tenants are very thriving; the ſituation of the lands, being ſo every reſpect convenient, both for procuring the means of improvement and diſpoſing of the produce.

The whole eſtate is held of a ſubject-ſuperior for payment of a trifling feu-duty, and the tenants pay all public burdens, except the ſtipend, which is 31 l. 4 s. 7 d. yearly.

The articles of roup, progreſs of writs, ſearches of encumbrances, and rental, are to be ſeen in the hands of Alexander Young writer in Edinburgh. The tacks and plans of the eſtate are lodged with Mr George Richardſon of Pearſbhall, who will ſhow the lands; and copies of the articles and rental with Mr James Graham, writer in Dumfries; to any of whom perſons wanting further information may apply.

Offers for a private ſale of the whole eſtate will be received any time before the day of roup.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

JUDICIAL SALE.

Upſet Prices further reduced.

TO be ſold by public roup, within the Parliament-houſe, Edinburgh, on Wedneſday the 16th of November 1785, betwixt the hours of four and ſix,

1ſt, The Superiority of WELLHILL, formerly part of the Lands of RICCARTONHOLM, lying in the pariſh of Riccarton, and ſhire of Ayr. The feu-duty annexed to this ſuperiority is 11 s. 1 d. 4-12ths. The upſet price of the ſuperiority is 161 l. 13 s. 4 d. Sterling.

2d, The remaining Part of the Ten Merk Land, of old extent, of BALGRAY, with the Mill thereof, and Teinds of the ſame, lying in the pariſh of Irvine and ſhire of Ayr.

The free rent of theſe remaining parts of the lands of Balgray is 89 l. 12 s. 9 d. and they will be expoſed *in cumulo* at 1710 l. 18 s. Sterling.

But if no offerer ſhall appear for the whole at that upſet price, the ſame will be expoſed in the lots, and at the upſet prices for each lot, after ſpecified, viz.

1 or I.——The Mailing and Lands of Muirhead of Balgray, poſſeſſed by William Dickie junior, of which the free yearly rent is 45 l. 18 s. 6 d. will be expoſed at the upſet price of 826 l. 13 s. Sterling, being eighteen years purchaſe.

Lot II.——The Weſtmoſt Side of that large Incloſure in the Lands of Balgray, called BACKSIDE, meaſuring 20 acres 1 rood, poſſeſſed by John Niven, at the yearly rent of 11 l. 17 s. 11 d. 3-12ths.

That Part of the Dam belonging to Balgray, poſſeſſed by John Niven, meaſuring, by the late proof, 2 acres 1 rood 17 falls, at 5 s. per acre, being 11 s. 9 d. 6-12ths.

The Lands of the Little Mailling of Standup, meaſuring 9 acres 22 falls, poſſeſſed by the ſaid John Niven, at the yearly rent of 6 l. 11 s. 10 d. Beſides theſe rents, John Niven pays 5 s. 5 d. 6-12ths of ceſs, for which he gets no allowance.

The Lands of Shiphalm, part of Balgray, meaſuring 4 acres 2 roods 30 falls, poſſeſſed by William Perguſſon, at the yearly rent of 3 l. 11 s. 8 d. beſides 5 s. 9 d. of ceſs, for which he gets no allowance.

The Eaſtmoſt Part of the Backſide of Balgray, conſiſting of 42 acres 20 falls, including three acres for the houſes and yards, and hedges and ditches, poſſeſſed by James Gemmell, at the yearly rent of 23 l. 8 s. 1 d. 6-12ths.

And that part of the Dam belonging to Balgray, poſſeſſed by the ſaid James Gemmell, meaſuring by the late proof 19½ falls, at 5 s. 10 d. per acre, the rate in the prov. rental being 8 s. and 6-12ths of a penny, beſides 8 s. 2 d. of ceſs, paid by John Gemmell for his whole poſſeſſion, without allowance.

The free yearly rent of this lot is 44 l. 4 s. 3 d. to be expoſed at twenty years purchaſe of that rent, being 884 l. 5 s. Sterling.

This lot includes a clump of planting betwixt Weſt Backſide *and* Standup, *conſiſting of 1 acre 2 roods 30 falls, about twenty years old, on which no other was put, but which will no doubt render the land much more valuable to a purchaſer.*

The lands hold of Mr Hamilton of Bourtreehill; the ſituation of them is about three miles from Irvine, three from Stewarton, and four from Kilmarnock. It is probable that they abound with coals, as they march with the eſtate of Dowra, in which there is one of the beſt coals in Argyleſhire.

For further particulars apply to William Brown, writer in Kilmarnock; William Wilſon writer to the ſignet; or Mr George Kirkpatrick, clerk to the proceſs, Edinburgh.

Judicial Sale of Houſes and Shops,

IN EDINBURGH.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 23d of November current, between the hours of four and five afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the Bills,

The whole HERITABLE SUBJECTS which belonged to Robert Cuming, ſon of the deceaſed Deacon Robert Cuming, Leſher in Edinburgh.

—Theſe ſubjects lie partly at the foot of the Fiſh-market Cloſe of Edinburgh, and partly on the north ſide of the Cowgate at the foot of Beſs Wynd, and will be expoſed either together, or ſeparately as follows, viz.

I. If together—The Subjects lying at the foot of the Fiſh market will be expoſed at 772l. Sterling; and the Subjects lying at the foot of Beſs Wynd, being a Dwelling-houſe or Shop, poſſeſſed by Alexander Ferguſon, will be expoſed at 84l. Sterling.

II. In caſe no purchaſer ſhall appear for the whole of theſe ſubjects, as divided into the two parcels above mentioned, they will then be expoſed in the following lots:

1ſt Lot—The ſaid Houſe or Shop, poſſeſſed by the ſaid Alexander Ferguſon, will be expoſed at the ſaid upſet price of 84l. Sterling.

2d Lot—All and whole that large Tenement of Land, high and laigh, back and fore, with the pertinents, called KENNEDY'S LAND, adjoining to the other tenement after deſcribed, poſſeſſed by Andrew Fraſer and others. The upſet price of the whole of this lot is 102l. Sterling.

The area on which this tenement is built extends in front in a ſtraight line with the upper corner of the turnpike ſtair of the new land and the ſouth corner of Good's Land, and is in length 28 feet 11 inches; the length of the back ſide, in a ſtraight line with the corner of ſaid land, is 35 feet 4 inches; and the breadth betwixt the two ſtraight lines is 28 feet 6 inches. This area might be improved to great advantage by rebuilding the ſame; and as an encouragement to purchaſers, the two gabels and ſtair-caſe are already built; ſo there is nothing to be carried up but the two ſide walls.

3d Lot—All and whole that Tenement of Land, back and fore, high and laigh, with the pertinents, lying upon the north ſide of the Cowgate at the foot of the [illegible] Cloſe, and on the eaſt ſide thereof; which tenement is deſcribed in the ancient rights thereof as having belonged to Adam Bothwell, and was ſome time ago rebuilt by Robert Cuming deceaſed, father to the ſaid Robert Cuming, defender, and as the ſame is particularly bounded and deſcribed in the act of roup. Theſe ſubjects will be expoſed at the upſet price of 670l. Sterling.

In caſe no purchaſer ſhall appear for the whole of ſaid tenement of land, then the ſame will be expoſed in the following lots:

Lot 1. The Two Shops fronting the Cowgate, one poſſeſſed by Mr Brown, the other by Mr M'Gregor, grocers: the firſt conſiſting of a ſhop, back room, and kitchen; and the other of one ſmall room, with a dark garret, preſently poſſeſſed by Mr Kinnaird. The upſet price of this lot will be 210l. Sterling.

Lot 2. That Dwelling-houſe immediately above the ſaid ſhops, lately poſſeſſed by Mrs Middlemiſt, conſiſting of a kitchen, back room, dining room with a concealed bed-ſtance in it, and two bed rooms, pantry, and cloſets, and a garret, but no cellar. The upſet price will be 120l. Sterling.

Lot 3. That other Dwelling-houſe, being the ſecond ſtory above the ſaid ſhops, preſently poſſeſſed by Mr Reikie glazier, conſiſting of a kitchen, back room, dining room with a concealed bed-ſtance, two bed rooms, pantry and cloſets, and a garret, but no cellar. The upſet price will be 120l. Sterling.

Lot 4. That Dwelling-houſe, being the third ſtory of ſaid tenement, preſently poſſeſſed by Mr Millar, conſiſting of the ſame rooms and conveniencies with the two former. The upſet price will be 120l. Sterling.

Lot 5. That Dwelling-houſe, being the fourth ſtory, preſently poſſeſſed by Meſſrs Johnſtons, conſiſting of a kitchen, dining room, two bed rooms, pantry, and cloſets. The upſet price to be 100l. Sterling.

The whole of the foreſaid ſubjects laſt mentioned hold burgage of the town of Edinburgh, are inſured in the Edinburgh Friendly Inſurance office, and the premium paid up.

The articles of roup, and inventory of the title-deeds, which are clear, will be ſeen in the hands of Mr George Kirkpatrick, depute clerk of Seſſion, and copies thereof in the hands of James Laidlaw, clerk to the ſignet.

The premiſes will be ſhown upon application to William Mickie, merchant in Edinburgh, factor thereon, who will alſo inform as to any particulars that may be wanted.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD within the Parliament or New Seſſion Houſe of Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 23d November 1785, between the hours of four and ſeven o'clock in the afternoon,

The following LANDS and ESTATE which belonged to the deceaſed George Sinclair of Stirrock, either in whole, or in the two following lots, as officers ſhall incline,

LOT I. The Lands of WEDDERCLETT and UPPER and NETHER HAUSTERS, with the teinds and pertinents thereof, lying within the pariſh of Wick and ſhire of Caithneſs.

The proven rent whereof, after all deductions, is 78l. 6s. 10d. 8-12ths Sterling; and the proven value of theſe lands, being twenty-one years purchaſe of ſaid rent, is 1645l. 3s. 11d. 5-12ths Sterling. Theſe lands of Wedderclett and Hauſters hold of the Crown.

LOT II. The Lands of STIRCOCK and MILL thereof, BLINGARY, HAUSQUOY, GRAYSTONES, and ACHAIRN, with the teinds and pertinents thereof, lying within the ſaid pariſh of Wick and ſhire of Caithneſs.

The proven rent whereof, after all deductions, is 87l. 8s. 1d. 11-12ths Sterling; and the proven value of theſe lands, being twenty-one years purchaſe of ſaid rent, is 1835l. 11s. 5d. 1-12th Sterling. Theſe lands of Stircock and others hold feu of Mr Sinclair of Barrock, for payment of an yearly feu-duty of 4l. 6s. 2d. Scots.

The whole of this eſtate lies at a diſtance of about only from two to three Engliſh miles from the royal burgh of Wick; and from the moſſes on this eſtate, which are inexhauſtible, the inhabitants of that burgh are in a great meaſure ſupplied with peats for firing. The lands themſelves are of very conſiderable extent, and are capable of great improvement; and there is a great appearance of finding lime-ſtone upon theſe lands.

The articles of ſale, and title-deeds of the different lands, may be ſeen at the office of Mr Keith Dunbar, depute clerk of Seſſion; and copies of the proven rental may be got from William Sinclair writer to the ſignet, to whom perſons chuſing to be informed of further particulars may apply.

LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF PERTH

TO BE SOLD—BY ADJOURNMENT.

THERE will be expoſed to SALE by public roup, under authority of the Lords of Council and Seſſion, within the Parliament or New ſeſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, upon Wedneſday the 30th day of November 1785, betwixt the hours of four and eight in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills, at a reduced price,

Thoſe parts of the Lands and Eſtate of KILGRASTON, ſtill remaining unſold, being Lot III. called the lands of KIRKPOTTIE, MEIKLEFIELDIES, and CLOCHRIDGESTONE, lying contiguous in the pariſh of Dron, and within four miles of the town of Perth. They conſiſt of 676 acres 1 rood 36 falls, 264 acres 3 roods and 9 falls whereof have been planted, in the view of building a Manſion-houſe. The plantations are in high order, and the lands hold of the Crown, and the proprietor will be entitled to vote at the election of a member of Parliament for the county.

The free proven rent of this Lot, after deducing public burdens, is 208l. 15s. 5d. 11-12ths.—The woods upon the lands are valued at 3334l.; and the upſet price, including the value of the wood, will be 5334l. 6s. 7d. 6-12ths.

The articles of roup are to be ſeen at the office of Mr John Callender, depute-clerk of Seſſion; and the progreſs of writs, rentals and plans of the lands, will be ſhown by William Lumſdaine, clerk to the ſignet, who will inform as to other particulars.—John Rutherford, jun. writer in Perth, the preſent factor, will alſo ſhow rentals, and William Chalmers at Kilgraſton will ſhow the grounds.

JUDICIAL SALE,—BY ADJOURNMENT.

Upſet Price ſtill further Reduced.

TO be SOLD by authority of the Court of Seſſion, upon Tueſday the 22d day of November current, between the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon, within the Parliament Houſe,

The REMAINING LOT of the Barony of PITTENCRIEFF and others, conſiſting of the whole Collieries and Iron Stone under the contiguous lands of Luſcar, Clunie, and Roſebank; and alſo, the Coals under the adjoining lands of Weſter Baldridge, and under about 93 acres of the lands of Blackburn of Pittencrieff, (lately ſold to Mr Hogg), with all privileges thereto belonging; but with ſundry exceptions and reſtrictions, as are all more particularly deſcribed in former advertiſements, and in the articles of ſale; together with a FEU of the farm of WESTER ROSYTH, and Harbour of BRUCEHAVEN; and alſo the TACKS of the Lands of WINDYLAW, and miniſter of Inverkeithing's Glebe during his incumbency, which are adjoining to Weſter Roſyth.

The proven value of this lot, and at which it was formerly expoſed, including the coals in other parts of the lands of Pittencrieff, which were lately valued and ſold at 600l. was 6322l. 18s. 10d.

And is now to be ſet up, without theſe coals ſold with Pittencrieff, at the reduced price of 4000l.

The collieries are known to contain inexhauſtible quantities of different kinds of coal of the beſt qualities. They can be wrought for the moſt part by a level, which has been carried up at a very great expence, and can have a convenient waggon way made for tranſporting them to ſea.—There is eighteen feet water at ordinary ſpring-tides in the harbour of Brucehaven, and the depth may be increaſed, by extending the pier, which has ſtone-quarries juſt by it.

The title-deeds, with the articles and conditions of ſale, will be ſeen in the hands of Meſſ. John Callendar, depute-clerk of Seſſion, and James Campbell, writer in Edinburgh; and Adam Patерſon at Pittencrieff will ſhow the premiſſes.

TO be SOLD by Judicial Roup, within the Seſſion-houſe of Edinburgh, on the 12th day of December next, betwixt the hours of four and ſix afternoon,

The whole Lands and Eſtates belonging to ARCHIBALD ROBERTON, Eſq; of Bedlay, in the following lots:

I. BEDLAY and MOLLENS, conſiſting of 734 Scots acres, with the Superiority of ADAMSWEEL, and the Superiority of the 11s. 10d. land of AUCHINLOCH.

The proven free rent of the property lands of this lot is 334l. 3s. 6d. 4-12ths, which is valued at 24 years purchaſe, being		L. 8020	4 8
The Superiority of Adamſweel, which yields an yearly feu-duty of 5l. 7s. beſides a duplicand each 20th year, is valued at 25 years purchaſe, being	-	133	15 0
The Superiority of Auchinloch is valued at	-	6	7 1
The natural woods on Bedlay and Mollens are proved to be worth,	- - - -	305	16 6
Upſet price of lot 1ſt,		L. 8466	3 3

There is a large convenient manſion-houſe on Bedlay, with ſuitable offices.———The valued rent of this lot is 430l. Scots.

II. ROBERTON-HALL, part of GARTFERRY, conſiſting of 183 acres.—The free rent is 71l. 13s. 1d. 1-12th, which is valued at 24 years purchaſe, being - - L. 1719 14 2

The natural woods are proved to be worth, - 53 19 3

Upſet price of lot 2d, L. 1773 13 5

There is a neat modern-built houſe and offices on Gartferry.

The valued rent of this lot is 120l. Scots.

III. JOHNSTON, conſiſting of 445 acres. The free rent is 95l. 3d. 11-12ths, which is valued at 24 years purchaſe, being L. 2280 7 10

The natural woods are proved to be worth, - 68 2 0

Upſet price of lot 3d, L. 2348 9 10

The valued rent of this lot is 330l. Scots.

IV. DRUMCAVEL and SHANKRAMUIR, conſiſting of 174 acres. The free rent is 68l. 5s. 9-12ths, which being valued at twenty-four years purchaſe, the upſet-price of lot 4th is L. 1638 1 6

The valued rent of this lot is L. 104 Scots.

V. GARTINQUEEN and WOODNEUCK of GARTINQUEEN, conſiſting of 168 acres. The free rent is 36l. 8s. 1d. 17-24ths, which is valued at twenty-four years purchaſe, being L. 873 15 5

The natural woods are proved to be worth 97 13 0

Upſet-price of lot 5th, L. 971 8 5

The valued rent of this lot is 84l. 7s. 6d. Scots.

VI. CHRYSTON, conſiſting of 100 acres. The free rent is 18l. 10s. 9d. 6-12ths, which being valued at twenty-four years purchaſe, the upſet-price of lot 6th is L. 444 19 0

The valued rent of this lot is 48l. 1s. 8d. Scots.

The lands contained in the above ſix lots, lie within the pariſh of Calder, and ſhire of Lanark, and all hold of the Crown, as come in place of the Archbiſhop of Glaſgow. The teinds are all valued, and deducted from the rental, and no price is put thereon in this ſale, in reſpect they belong to the College of Glaſgow, and are not ſaleable.—Beſides the natural woods, there is much valuable planting, on which no price is put in this ſale.

VII. HALF of GARNGEBBOCK, conſiſting of 31½ acres. The free rent is 11l. 9s. 8-12ths; which being valued at twenty-four years purchaſe, the upſet price thereof is - L. 274 17 4

The lands in this lot lie within the pariſh of New Monkland, and ſhire of Lanark, and hold of the family of Roſehall, for payment of a ſmall feu-duty. The teinds are valued, but no price is put thereon, as they belong to the College of Glaſgow.

VIII. SMITHSTON, conſiſting of 220 acres, and Superiority of CRAIGLANE. The free rent of Smithſton is 44l. 19s. 11d. 9-24ths which is valued at twenty-four years purchaſe, being L. 1079 18 9

The feu-duty payable for Craiglane, is 17s. 10d. which is valued at 25 years purchaſe, being - 22 5 10

The natural woods in this lot are proved to be worth, 173 9 1

Upſet price of Lot VIII. L. 1275 13 8

IX. THORN, AUCHINKILLS, and CHAPPELTON, conſiſting of 278 acres. The free rent is 90l. 5s. 3d. 3-24ths, which being valued at 24 years purchaſe, the upſet price of this lot, is L. 2166 6 3

The lands in theſe two laſt mentioned lots lie within the pariſh of Cumbernauld, and ſhire of Dumbarton, and hold feu of the family of Wigton. The common debtor has right to the teinds, but the ſuperior is bound to pay the miniſter's ſtipend out of the feu-duty. There are upwards of two acres of planting on Lot 9th, on which no price is put in the ſale.

X. The Superiority of the Five-merk Land of old extent of WESTER CRAIGINFEOCH, called CRAIGINFEOCH CHALMERS, lying in the ſhire of Renfrew. Theſe lands afford a freehold-qualification to vote for a member of Parliament. The yearly feu-duty payable to the common debtor, is 1l. 4s. 4d. 8-12ths Sterling; and the proven value thereof, is - - - - - L. 100 0 0

NOTA.—In the above mentioned rents, there is comprehended the converſions of a number of caſualties, which being payable in kind, are worth conſiderably more than the converted prices.

The deductions from the rental, conſiſt chiefly of feu and teind duties, and are moſtly payable in meal, malt, and horſe corn, which are converted yearly, according to the fiars of the Commiſſariot of Hamilton and Campſie; and in this ſale, the converſions are ſtated at the medium rate of thoſe fiars for the ten preceding years, being 15s. 1½d. for the meal and malt, and 2-3ds thereof for the horſe corn. This high converſion is owing to the dearneſs of the late years, but in ordinary ſeaſons the converſion muſt be much lower, which will conſiderably augment the above free rents.

The articles of roup are in the hands of Mr John Callender, depute clerk of ſeſſion; accurate plans of the whole lands lately made by order of the Court of Seſſion, with printed notes of the meaſurement, diſtinguiſhing the contents of each ſeparate field, the rental, title-deeds of the lands, and copies of the articles of roup, are in the hands of Andrew Mackenzie, writer to the ſignet. The notes of the meaſurement and rental will be alſo ſhown by James Mathie writer in Glaſgow.

The houſe of Bedlay and the grounds will be ſhown by James Carrick in Gartferry.

HOUSE IN QUEEN's STREET.

TO be SOLD, and entered to as ſoon as a purchaſer ſhall incline That large and commodious HOUSE and Offices, which belonged to the late Lord Chief Baron Ord,—with the Gardens in front upon the north ſide of the ſtreet, conſiſting of two and an half acres of ground,

Apply to John Wauchope writer to the ſignet.

PERTH SALMON FISHINGS TO LET.

THE Magiſtrates and Town Council of Perth having reſolved to ſet in leaſe for eleven, fifteen, or nineteen years, the whole Salmon Fiſhings belonging to the community of the ſaid burgh, upon the river Tay, conſiſting of the ten ſeperate fiſhings following, viz. the Weſt of the Weſt, Back Shott, Fourth Shott of the Ships, Sleepleſs, Over Girdum, Nether Girdum, the Loch, South-ſide Inchirret, North-ſide Inchirret, and Inchyra or Balhepburn Inch, all ſet at preſent in ſix different leaſes; to be entered to upon the eleventh day of December 1787, when the preſent leaſes expire.

Any perſon or perſons inclining to enter into the ſaid leaſe, for any of the abovementioned ſpaces, are deſired, betwixt and the firſt Monday of December next, to lodge their propoſals for that purpoſe, ſealed and addreſſed to the Town Counſil, with Patrick Miller, town chamberlain of Perth, ſpecifying the tack duty and their ſureties for payment thereof; and if any information is wanted as to the ſituation and extent of theſe valuable fiſhings, or the terms and conditions of the leaſe, they may apply to the ſaid Town Chamberlain for the ſame.

The VILLA of NORTH MERCHISTONE,

TO be SOLD by public roup, upon Wedneſday the 23d of November curt. between the hours of four and ſix in the afternoon, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe in Edinburgh,

The pleaſant and agreeable VILLA of NORTH MERCHISTONE, in the pariſh of St Cuthberts or Weſt Kirk, and county of Mid-Lothian. It lies upon the Glaſgow and Slateford roads, along which there is a ſtretch of above 2800 feet, whereof upwards of 600 is a fruit-wall. It is within twenty minutes walk of the Croſs of Edinburgh, and conſiſts of 35 acres 1 rood 1 fall Scots meaſure, all lying contiguous, incloſed with ſtone-walls, and ſubdivided with hedges and ſunk fences. The whole of the plantations are in a very thriving condition, and many of the trees are valuable, being full grown, and from 50 to 60 years old; and the ſhrubberies and gravel-walks are laid out with taſte, and ſo conducted as to catch the different proſpects, which are delightful. There is a fine piece of water of near an acre, and a command of water running through the ground, which may be increaſed, as there is a power of collecting all the ſprings in the park of Old Merchiſtone. There is an eaſy and free acceſs, by turnpike roads, both to the eaſt and weſt; and there is alſo a power of having an acceſs to the ſouth, by Bruntsfield links and Barrowmuirhead.

The houſe conſiſts of a hall, a dining-room, drawing-room, ſix bed-rooms with cloſets, houſe-keepers room, kitchen, ſcullery, ſervant, room, cellars, pantry, and garrets with ſervants beds. And the offices conſiſt of milk-houſe, laundry, waſhing-houſe, two ſtables, whereof the one contains two, and the other three horſes, with a corn chamber over head; a coach-houſe, hen-houſe, farm-ſervants houſe, a work-horſe ſtable that will contain twelve horſes, two byres for two cows each, three detatched neceſſary-houſes, a barn, with a catacombed cellar at one end of it, and a granary and ſervants room over head, a ſhade in the hay-yard, and a gardener's houſe at the gate. There is alſo a neat temple at the top of the ground, built of hewn ſtone, and properly finiſhed, from the platform roof of which a beautiful view is got of the grounds themſelves, and a moſt extenſive proſpect of the caſtle and city of Edinburgh, of the frith of Forth, coaſt of Fife, and of all the country round.

The vicinity of theſe grounds to the city of Edinburgh renders them uſeful and valuable in every reſpect; and the diſtance from the New Town is conſiderably ſhortened, and the acceſs to it greatly improved by the Lothian road, and will be ſtill more ſo by other roads that will ſoon be made in its neighbourhood, and by the ſouth bridge acroſs the Cowgate.

The ground that lies to the ſouth of the Glaſgow road may be divided into four ſpaces for ſeparate villas, as it contains 29 acres 1 rood 27 falls; and the other field that lies between the Glaſgow and Slatfoord roads, conſiſting of 5 acres 3 roods 14 falls, is a proper ſituation for another villa, or may be feued out for ſmall houſes and yards to great advantage, and will likewiſe anſwer for waſhing and drying linen, as there is a conſtant ſpring of water that runs through it, and is very ſubſtantially incloſed with a ſtone and lime wall.

The lands are held of two different ſuperiors, for a feu-duty of 54l. 2s. 6d. The entries of an heir and ſingular ſucceſſor are taxed.

There is a proportion of ſeat room in the Weſt Church, which has been lately rebuilt.

The articles and conditions of ſale, and plan and meaſurement of the grounds to be ſeen in the hands of Mr William Leſlie writer to the ſignet, to whom, or to Mr Beatſon at Lochgellie near Kinghorn, propoſals may be made for a private bargain. The houſe may be ſeen on Tueſdays and Fridays betwixt twelve and two o'clock, till the ſale; and John Inch will ſhow the ground every lawful day.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on Thurſday the 15th day of December 1785, betwixt the hours of ſix and ſeven in the afternoon,

The Lands and Mill of GLACK, the Lands of OLD CRAIG and KIRKTOWN, and the Lands of DAVIOT;

lying in the pariſhes of Daviot and Chapel of Garioch, and county of Aberdeen; conſiſting of 1188 acres or thereby; the preſent rent 322l. 8s. 8d. Sterling money, 147 bolls meal, 9 bolls bear, and about 20 dozen of poultry, beſides carriages and ſervices. The public burdens are about 23l. money, and 10 bolls victual.

There is upon the lands a commodious manſion-houſe, gardens, and offices; and a complete ſet of farm-houſes, barns, byres, &c. lately built and ſlated. The farm ſurrounding the houſe (planting included) contains about 150 acres, properly fenced, and divided into regular incloſures, well ſupplied with water, and ſheltered by belts of planting and hedges, in the moſt thriving condition. The adjoining farm of Weſtmains, of about 80 acres, was lately taken into the proprietor's natural poſſeſſion; is ſurrounded by an outer fence, and ſome ſubdivisions. It is charged in the rental at no more than 15l. paid for the graſs 1783, though when ſet to a tenant it paid 10l. money, and 24 bolls meal. On this farm is a proper ſteading of houſes of all kinds for a tenant; and the farm would now ſet to great advantage for plowing.

The whole of theſe lands lie contiguous; and hold of the Crown, and ſtand rated in the ceſs-books at above 700l. Scots. No part of the lands is thirled to any mill, except one ſmall poſſeſſion; and there is a good mill on the eſtate. There are moſſes upon the lands, which the tenants have been prevented from uſing, as the lands have ſervitudes upon the moſſes of Wartlie and Mounie, in the neighbourhood.—By charter from the Crown there is right to two yearly fairs, which are regularly held at the Kirktown of Daviot, in June and October, and alſo a right to a weekly market.

The ſoil is good, and ſituation pleaſant, in the centre of that beautiful and healthy country the GARRIOCH, over which there is a very fine proſpect. The acceſs is eaſy, the roads good; a regular poſt paſſes three times in the week, very near the manſion-houſe.

The farm about the houſe is well deſigned, and was improved at a large expence. It is at preſent all in graſs, laid down in excellent condition; the greateſt part a good many years ago. No rent is put upon the manſion-houſe, gardens, &c. nor upon about 50 acres of ground under planting, ſome of it of the beſt quality. Nor is any value put upon the wood, conſiſting of Oak, Aſh, Elm, Plane, Fir, &c. full grown, which are worth, and would yield immediately, a conſiderable ſum. The young wood in the belts and planting conſiſt of all the various foreſt trees reared in Scotland.

For the encouragement of Purchaſers, the Upſet Price will be only 8000l. Sterling; a ſum thought by competent and impartial judges to be conſiderably under the real value of the ſubjects.

The title deeds, rental, current leaſes, plans of the lands, and conditions of ſale, are to be ſeen in the hands of William Walker attorney in Exchequer; to whom, or to Mr Farquharſon accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to ſell by private bargain, perſons willing to purchaſe will apply. William Glennie, at the houſe of Glack, will ſhow the lands, and a copy of the rental.

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